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MEMORANDUM FOR

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Executive Secretary  
Central Intelligence AgencySUBJECT: Comprehensive Damage Assessment of  
Espionage in the 1980's (U)

Since 1980 fifteen individuals have been arrested and/or convicted for successfully passing US classified information to a foreign government. All but Israel are on the criteria country list and the passage of this information to these countries has the potential of damaging our national security. (S)

Accordingly, it is requested that a comprehensive integrated interagency damage assessment be conducted on the fifteen espionage cases set forth below. This study should focus on: what information was compromised; the value of this information to the specific countries who received it; the impact this loss has had on our foreign policy, defense posture and/or intelligence collection operations or capabilities. The study should be conducted on the following cases:

David Henry Barnett	1980	USSR
William Holden Bell	1981	Polish
James Harper	1983	Polish
Ernest L. Forbrich	1984	GDR
Richard Craig Smith	1983	USSR
Richard W. Miller	1984	USSR
Karl F. Koecher	1984	Czechoslovakia
John Walker, et all	1985	USSR
Sharon Scranage	1985	Ghana
Jonathan Pollard	1985	Israel
Larry Wu-Tai Chin	1985	PRC
Ronald Pelton	1985	USSR
Edward Lee Howard	1985	USSR
Ron Jeffries	1985	USSR
John Bothwell	1986	USSR

This report should be submitted to the NSC within six months. David G. Major, Director of Intelligence and Counterintelligence Programs, of the NSC staff is the action officer on this project. Coordination for the preparation of this report should be through Mr. Major, 395-4614 or secure x7414. (S)

*Rodney B. McDaniel*  
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Executive Secretary

cc: Secretary of State  
Secretary of Defense~~SECRET~~

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